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DIGEST OF CURRENT ECONOMIC STATISTICS, AUSTRALIA JANUARY 1984

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EXPLANATORY NOTES

Introduction

The Digest contains the latest available figures at the time of issue for a selection of monthly and quarterly series. Where possible, series are shown both in their original and seasonally adjusted form.

Seasonal adjustment

2. Measures of variability and details of the methods used in seasonally adjusting ABS statistics are given in Appendixes C and B, respectively, of *Seasonally Adjusted Indicators, Australia* (1308.0). This annual publication also contains historical original and seasonally adjusted data in tabular and graphical form of a selection of the statistics appearing in the ABS monthly and quarterly publications.

3. As well as being adjusted for normal seasonal factors, some of the statistical series included in the Digest have been adjusted for the effects of calendar variations, namely, 'trading-day' effects (arising from the varying numbers of Sundays, Mondays, Tuesdays, etc. in a month) and the influence of movable holidays, such as Easter and Australia Day.

4. Most of the original and seasonally adjusted series are preliminary and subject to revision.

Related publications

5. More detailed information is available in the *Monthly Summary of Statistics, Australia* (1304.0) (\$3.50, \$4.20 incl. postage). Publications from which the series in the Digest are derived are listed on page 8.

6. Current publications produced by the ABS are listed in the *Catalogue of Publications, Australia* (1101.0). The ABS also issues, on Tuesdays and Fridays, a *Publications Advice* (1105.0) which lists publications to be released in the next few days. The Catalogue and Publications Advice are available from any ABS office.

Symbols and other usages

- r figure or series revised since previous issue
 - p preliminary—figure or series subject to revision
 - n.a. not available
 - n.y.a. not yet available
 - break in continuity of series (where drawn between two consecutive figures in the same column)
7. Where figures have been rounded, discrepancies may occur between sums of the component items and totals.

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PRODUCTION

Month	Black coal '000 tonnes	Iron ore (a) '000 tonnes	Lead (b) '000 tonnes	Electricity mil. kWh		Gas (c) mil. megajoules		Raw steel '000 tonnes		Cement '000 tonnes		Motor vehicles (d) '000		Electric motors under 720 W '000	
				Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.
1982-83—															
December	7,599		30.1	8,293	8,823	28,729	34,538	413	414	420	432	24.4	26.6	184	176
January	5,166		25.2	7,942	8,739	26,138	31,886	389	373	268	407	4.1	13.4	51	132
February	8,522	21,156	40.0	8,001	8,974	30,745	37,389	399	425	389	401	30.6	30.5	154	162
March	10,542		45.4	8,839	9,026	35,018	37,579	430	415	429	405	31.2	26.2	176	160
April	7,329		41.1	8,455	9,077	34,549	38,047	396	414	348	342	24.5	29.2	141	164
May	8,963	17,714	45.1	9,235	8,960	40,980	37,345	472	445	389	364	29.2	25.5	149	166
June	9,924		41.8	9,911	9,024	42,869	36,153	486	489	421	416	29.4	26.3	175	173
1983-84—															
July	9,959		42.6	10,461	9,064	45,022	35,560	518	494	410	376	31.7	29.6	200	198
August	1,084	16,203	44.5	9,997	8,853	40,387	33,830	519	485	419	406	34.1	30.2	233	204
September	1,060		37.5	9,251	9,169	38,180	36,139	503	534	450	447	33.0	29.9	249	205
October	9,707		43.3	9,143	9,316	35,608	39,912	518	537	433	418	30.4	28.5	223	187
November	10,315	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	8,800	19,278	35,356	38,298	485	519	446	424	34.5	30.5	246	201
December	n.y.a.		n.y.a.	8,711	9,356	30,201	36,729	510	509	434	442	25.9	29.4	214	211
January	n.y.a.		n.y.a.	8,508	9,361	28,733	34,784	518	493	244	367	13.3	41.7	124	319

(a) Gross mine output. Source: Bureau of Mineral Resources, Geology and Geophysics (B.M.R.). (b) Metallic contents of mine products. Source: B.M.R. (c) Available for issue through maint; includes natural gas. (d) Includes vehicles which are disposed of by the manufacturer in a partly finished state.

PRODUCTION—continued

Month	Cotton woven cloth (incl. towelling) '000 sq m(a)		Woolen and worsted woven cloth (incl. blanketing) '000 sq m(a)		Man-made fibre-cloth '000 sq m		Meat '000 tonnes		Price index manufac- turing division(h)	Whole milk intake by factories(c) mil. litres		Brokers and dealers receipts of taxable wool		Book value at end of quarter \$ m	
	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.		Original	Seas. adj.	Total ^f receipts received by tonnes brokers(d)	% of total received by brokers(d)	Original	Seas. adj.
1982-83—															
December	1,915	2,090	777	814	8,100	9,384	193	200	357.6	628	447	47,450	74.0	33,705	33,749
January	687	1,819	523	979	4,555	12,163	162	187	359.1	529	456	30,674	82.2		
February	551	2,636	943	880	9,703	10,088	180	188	362.5	382	436	39,206	78.2		
March	3,128	2,855	986	826	11,419	10,432	199	184	365.5	330	428	41,014	73.2		
April	2,602	2,616	845	892	11,222	12,456	170	186	370.1	277	447	22,930	70.5	33,189	33,214
May	2,879	2,805	695	756	11,803	10,948	161	157	372.7	274	532	23,105	72.9		
June	3,583	3,175	888	891	15,846	13,320	172	174	373.9	274	562	30,584	72.3		
1983-84—															
July	3,126	2,838	669	689	12,905	11,364	173	177	375.9	r346	r543	r41,698	r80.5	p33,570	p33,518
August	3,130	2,855	816	772	13,609	12,515	188	180	376.0	508	495	r81,233	r81.5		
September	3,794	3,191	856	867	14,529	13,302	187	171	376.9	506	488	r101,870	r81.7	n.y.a.	n.y.a.
October	3,025	2,632	903	843	12,736	12,687	p171	165	p380.2	r723	r463	r106,978	r83.0		
November	3,005	3,128	1,145	840	13,647	11,198	p138	p157	n.y.a.	661	n.y.a.	r90,438	73.9		
December	2,385	2,672	628	709	9,498	11,075	p132	p151	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	48,911	78.5		
January	835	2,269	565	984	5,332	14,006	p132	p151	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.		

(a) The Commodity composition of this series has changed following the introduction of a revised production commodity classification for textile items. Figures on the new basis are available from July 1979. (b) This index is on a 'net division' basis and relates in concept only to articles which are produced in the Manufacturing Division of ASIC (Division C) for sale or transfer outside the Division or for use as capital equipment. (c) Source: Australian Dairy Corporation. (d) Members of the National Council of Wool Selling Brokers of Australia. (e) Owned by private enterprises in Australia. See publication 5629.

OVERSEAS TRANSACTIONS

Month	Value of total exports \$m	Value of total imports \$m	Values at average 1979-80 prices \$m		Export price index All groups 1974-75 = 100	Balance on current account \$m	Net apparent capital inflow \$m	Official reserve assets (a) \$m
			Exports f.o.b.	Imports f.o.b.				
			Seas. adj.	Seas. adj.				
1982-83—								
December	1,818	1,698			199	-450	1,138	10,094
January	1,920	1,383			199	-282	642	10,850
February	1,621	1,621	4,343	4,117	201	-495	563	9,979
March	1,763	1,840			209	-549	771	10,365
April	1,604	1,559			210	-547	1,533	11,404
May	2,042	1,773	4,282	4,264	213	-329	222	11,124
June	1,871	1,858			213	-689	497	10,748
1983-84—								
July	2,045	2,012			213	-482	598	10,868
August	1,957	2,014	4,554	4,423	213	-715	1,076	11,169
September	1,842	1,850			211	-592	338	10,672
October	1,997	1,923	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	209	-523	1,784	11,621
November	2,098	1,916			208	-358	853	12,009
December	2,043	1,787			n.y.a.	-229	1,380	13,350
January	2,146	1,956			n.y.a.	-397	236	12,796

(a) Gold is valued at the average London gold price for the month converted to \$A at the market rate of exchange applying on the last day of the month.

INTERNAL TRADE

Month	Retail sales(a)								New motor cars and station wagons registered '000		Other new motor vehicles registered(c) '000		Instalment credit for retail sales, finance companies and other businesses, balances outstanding(d) \$m
	All items except motor vehicles, parts, petrol, etc. \$m		Food and drink \$m		Clothing, hardware, electrical and furniture \$m		Other(b) \$m		Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	
	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.					
1982-83—									47.7	46.8	9.9	10.6	4,031
December	4,589	3,314							26.2	32.5	8.7	11.0	3,989
January	3,133	3,433						1,603	29.7	32.2	10.5	11.3	3,962
February	3,081	3,482	5,105	3,840	2,975	2,452			43.5	40.1	13.5	11.8	3,991
March	3,473	3,525							31.4	34.2	10.8	11.5	3,960
April	3,364	3,477						1,635	38.0	36.3	11.9	11.2	4,004
May	3,417	3,416	5,064	3,676	3,380	2,712		1,168	39.3	36.2	11.7	9.9	4,011
June	3,315	3,460											
1983-84—									35.1	33.7	10.6	9.9	4,003
July	3,373	3,534						n.y.a.	42.6	37.2	11.7	10.8	4,002
August	3,472	3,552	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	36.4	37.2	10.3	10.6	3,996
September	3,487	3,546							34.2	36.2	10.1	10.4	4,008
October	3,523	3,637						n.y.a.	38.9	37.7	11.1	11.4	4,047
November	3,781	3,661	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	38.2	38.8	11.3	12.9	n.y.a.
December	5,034	3,651							p31.6	p38.2	p10.0	p12.5	n.y.a.
January	n.y.a.	n.y.a.											

(a) Series based on 1979-80 Retail Census; excludes Northern Territory, but includes Australian Capital Territory. (b) Other: excludes motor vehicles, parts, petrol, etc. (c) Comprises light commercial type vehicles, trucks, other truck type vehicles and buses. (d) During the period, amounts financed to new agreements made were: September \$168m; October \$169m; November \$166m.

WAGES, OVERTIME AND RETAIL PRICES

Month	Weekly earnings of employees (\$/hr)		Award rates of pay indexes (b), adult persons June 1976 = 100	Average weekly overtime hours per employee (c)	Consumer price index, weighted average of eight capital cities, 1980-81 = 100(d)								
	All males	All females			All groups	Food	Clothing	Housing	Household equipment and operation	Transportation	Tobacco and alcohol	Health and personal care	Recreation and education(e)
1982-83—													
November	341.50	223.60	183.6	1.30	122.0	116.8	113.7	122.3	123.6	122.7	124.0	151.2	105.7
December			184.4										
January			184.6										
February	345.00	230.30	184.7	1.14	124.7	118.9	113.9	124.1	125.5	126.4	125.8	157.4	109.8
March			184.8										
April			184.9										
May	347.30	231.80	184.9	1.19	127.3	124.2	117.8	126.0	127.1	126.4	128.5	161.1	112.0
June			185.2										
1983-84—													
July			185.2										
August	353.80	233.40	185.3	1.20	129.4	125.6	117.8	127.4	129.1	130.9	131.2	164.5	113.2
September			185.3										
October			193.2										
November	p366.40	p241.50	193.2	1.34	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.
December			193.2										

(a) The Average weekly earnings per employed male unit has been replaced by a new series based on a quarterly survey of employers. Figures for 'all males' prior to September quarter 1981 are estimates based on the relationship of the two series for September quarter 1981. An explanation of the linking of the series is given in *Average Weekly Earnings, Australia, December Quarter 1981 (Preliminary)* (6330.0), and an explanation of the differences between the series is provided in an *Information Paper* (6336.0). (b) New series. See *Award Rates of Pay Indexes, Australia, September 1982* (6312.0). (c) Results of sample surveys of government employers and private payroll taxpayers conducted by the ABS as at the third Friday of the month shown. For further details see August issue of *Overtime, Australia* (6330.0). (d) With the introduction of the tenth series of the CPI, the reference base of the CPI series has been changed to 1980-81 = 100.00. The main CPI series published becomes that for the weighted average of the eight capital cities. Monthly index series are no longer compiled for the food group. (e) New grouping introduced from March quarter 1982. Base of index series: March quarter 1982 = 100.0.

BUILDING AND NEW FIXED CAPITAL EXPENDITURE

Month	Building approvals \$ m		Building approvals dwellings '000 units		Government building approved \$ m	Building commenced, total(a) \$ m		Dwellings commenced(a) '000 units		Price indexes		New fixed capital expenditure by private enterprises (\$m/yd)			
	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.		Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Materials used in building other than house building ^(b)	Materials used in building other than house building ^(c)	New buildings and structures		Other new capital equipment	
												Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.
1982-83—															
November	753.9	689.4	9.6	8.9	111.9	2,167.0	2,269.0	25.0	24.5	410.7	139.2	(e)1,224.6	(e)1,066.4	3,111.6	2,971.0
December	740.2	757.8	8.4	9.0	162.0					412.4	140.2				
January	570.8	740.3	7.1	9.2	98.3					415.7	141.2				
February	r837.6	r948.6	9.6	r10.8	r281.7	2,026.3	2,013.8	24.0	25.7	418.9	141.6	915.3	1,077.7	2,351.4	2,711.2
March	809.6	743.3	11.4	9.9	153.7					422.5	142.3				
April	714.9	787.0	9.7	10.3	130.8					425.2	142.9				
May	930.4	832.2	11.7	10.6	199.3	2,414.3	2,374.1	29.4	28.9	426.3	143.6	941.0	911.5	3,103.0	2,837.9
June	877.7	781.5	11.2	10.2	217.7					429.3	144.2				
1983-84—															
July	830.4	834.8	10.4	10.9	128.0					p431.7	p144.6				
August	1,014.5	953.0	12.4	11.7	186.9	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	p434.7	p145.1	806.1	832.6	2,759.1	2,781.9
September	978.1	952.2	12.5	12.3	156.3					p437.1	p146.2				
October	975.5	993.6	12.5	12.3	169.6					p440.1	p147.4				
November	992.7	917.4	12.9	11.9	217.0	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	p443.6	p148.4				
December	888.3	943.7	12.0	13.2	185.2					p446.2	p148.9				

(a) The ABS has recently implemented a new system for collecting, compiling and publishing building activity statistics. For further details of the change to 'Building commenced' data, see September Quarter 1980 (Advance Release) issue of 8705.0, released on 1 May 1981. For further details of the change to 'Dwellings commenced' data, see statement issued under Catalogue No. 8703.0 entitled *Changes to Published Building Activity Statistics*, which was released on 12 December 1980. (b) Weighted average six State capital cities, 1966-67 = 100.0. (c) Base: 1979-80 = 100.0. (d) Excludes enterprises classified to agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting, community services and construction. (e) Prior to December Quarter 1982, data include the value of speculatively built construction projects by enterprises in the finance, property and business services industries.

FINANCE

Month	Savings banks— depositors' balances (a) \$m		Major trading banks (b)				Finance companies balances outstanding (c) \$m	Housing finance for owner occupation value of loans approved (d)			Common- wealth bond yield short dated (f) per cent	Listed companies new money raised \$m	Taxation revenue Commonwealth and State consolidated revenue funds \$m
			Deposits \$m		Advances \$m			Permanent building societies \$m	Other lenders (e) \$m				
	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Banks \$m			\$m	\$m		
1982-83—													
December	27,063	26,920	31,424	30,864	22,866	22,781	28,937	379	128	93	12.30		3,251
January	28,155	27,861	30,321	30,129	22,690	22,875	28,579	348	123	79	12.00		3,656
February	28,935	28,492	30,177	29,933	22,642	23,091	28,273	447	198	96	14.35	(-1214.8	3,768
March	28,681	28,612	31,305	30,644	23,242	23,579	28,134	509	222	120	14.60		4,160
April	28,424	28,797	31,439	31,145	23,648	23,489	28,062	366	179	108	12.50		5,739
May	29,106	29,394	31,389	31,584	23,860	23,563	28,016	435	222	128	12.75	35.4	5,198
June	30,006	29,939	31,560	32,006	23,916	24,034	28,075	434	196	108	13.70		4,271
1983-84—													
July	30,352	30,470	31,432	32,189	24,010	23,878	28,207	395	182	98	13.45		3,354
August	31,034	31,098	31,373	31,890	23,980	24,001	28,191	488	217	110	13.55	483.9	4,091
September	31,528	31,661	31,638	31,913	24,260	24,219	28,271	448	211	118	12.60		2,952
October	31,822	31,934	31,960	31,885	24,950	24,625	28,203	474	236	117	12.00		3,399
November	32,091	32,189	32,394	32,065	25,292	25,196	28,343	570	314	142	11.00	n.y.a.	4,182
December	33,181	33,009	32,999	32,545	25,649	25,562	n.y.a.	467	303	130	11.60		3,626
January	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	32,554	32,429	25,360	25,566	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	12.05		n.y.a.

(a) Excludes external territories. (b) Includes external territories. (c) Amounts shown relate to all types of finance agreements and provide a broad overall measure of finance company activity. For further details see the monthly publication 5614.0. (d) Includes loans for alterations and additions. (e) Includes terminating building societies, finance companies, credit unions, insurance companies and government instrumentalities. (f) This series is based on non-rebate bonds. (g) Break in series due to a change in accounting procedures.

NATIONAL ACCOUNTS (\$m)

Quarter	NATIONAL ACCOUNTS (A)													
	Final consumption expenditure						Gross fixed capital expenditure							
	Gross domestic product		Gross farm product		Gross non-farm product		Private		Government		Private		Public	
	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.
AT CURRENT PRICES														
1981-82— June	36,958	38,689	770	1,764	36,188	36,925	23,277	23,513	6,976	6,768	7,347	6,929	3,327	2,886
1982-83— September	38,976	39,368	1,273	1,479	37,703	37,889	23,996	24,102	6,595	6,690	6,351	6,420	3,176	3,385
December	44,082	40,407	2,576	1,367	41,506	39,035	26,332	24,877	7,656	7,276	6,516	6,192	3,421	3,340
March	38,054	40,234	1,070	1,344	36,984	38,890	24,390	25,521	7,036	7,541	5,448	6,063	2,817	3,191
June	39,694	40,962	692	1,366	39,002	39,596	25,437	25,692	7,455	7,225	6,325	5,964	4,025	3,491
1983-84— September	41,950	42,835	1,460	2,257	40,490	40,578	26,282	26,338	7,656	7,774	5,453	5,518	3,288	3,499
AT AVERAGE 1979-80 PRICES														
1981-82— June	28,952	30,384	1,116	1,970	27,836	28,414	18,808	18,959	5,170	5,002	5,704	5,373	2,507	2,175
1982-83— September	30,037	30,290	1,720	1,745	28,317	28,545	18,707	18,830	4,875	4,965	4,786	4,841	2,301	2,451
December	33,121	29,973	2,551	1,549	30,570	28,424	20,048	18,919	5,397	5,155	4,846	4,607	2,422	2,366
March	27,875	29,854	1,208	1,520	26,667	28,334	18,178	19,040	5,044	5,374	3,975	4,424	1,967	2,228
June	28,424	29,450	867	1,455	27,557	27,995	18,566	18,711	5,262	5,082	4,519	4,258	2,783	2,415
1983-84— September	29,967	30,735	1,483	2,084	28,484	28,651	18,915	19,001	5,406	5,511	3,860	3,906	2,262	2,407
AT CURRENT PRICES—continued														
Quarter	Imports of goods and services		Exports of goods and services		Gross operating surplus of trading enterprises				Wages, salaries and supplements		Income of farm unincorporated enterprises	Other household income	Less direct taxes, etc. (a)	Household disposable income
					Companies		Other							
	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.				
1981-82— June	7,546	7,596	6,122	5,941	3,995	4,209	6,169	7,659	21,775	21,901	-126	11,637	8,952	24,734
1982-83— September	7,491	7,398	6,131	6,270	3,809	3,808	7,817	7,735	22,690	22,946	370	10,007	5,719	27,348
December	7,096	7,190	6,223	6,229	4,803	4,172	9,878	7,899	24,080	23,020	1,596	12,782	5,543	32,915
March	6,562	6,522	5,918	5,979	3,653	4,083	7,146	7,889	21,862	22,997	144	10,836	6,477	26,365
June	6,872	6,920	6,249	6,132	4,454	4,683	6,669	7,894	22,706	22,632	-122	13,628	9,026	27,087
1983-84— September	7,361	7,255	6,529	6,653	5,227	5,225	8,836	9,264	22,459	22,661	490	12,060	5,187	29,822

(a) Direct taxes deducted are those paid by persons to general government. These include income tax paid and estate and gift duties, all other direct taxes, fees for service of a regulatory character and fines and gifts paid. Also deducted here are consumer debt interest and transfers to overseas.

UNEMPLOYED PERSONS (b) (^{'000})

CIVILIAN LABOUR FORCE (a) (^{'000})

CIVILIAN LABOUR FORCE (a)													
Month	Males		Females		Persons		Looking for full-time work		Looking for part-time work	Total			Survey estimates (c)
	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Original	Seas. adj.	Males	Females		Males	Females	Persons	
1982-83—													
December	4,412.4	4,351.1	2,618.4	2,582.7	7,030.8	6,933.8	378.4	206.8	88.8	404.7	269.2	674.0	16.9
January	4,361.3	4,336.8	2,495.1	2,581.6	6,856.4	6,918.4	409.2	216.2	66.2	431.5	263.2	694.7	
February	4,400.6	4,359.8	2,601.7	2,587.0	7,002.2	6,946.9	418.2	234.7	94.4	441.3	305.9	747.3	
March	4,387.2	4,362.5	2,645.3	2,602.6	7,032.4	6,965.1	412.2	223.8	95.6	435.3	296.4	731.6	17.5
April	4,364.9	4,375.6	2,585.4	2,574.4	6,950.3	6,950.1	407.2	203.2	96.7	430.6	276.5	707.2	
May	4,368.7	4,373.2	2,611.4	2,605.2	6,980.1	6,978.5	413.4	212.6	92.6	436.0	282.5	718.6	
June	4,355.2	4,385.5	2,590.5	2,599.8	6,945.7	6,985.3	408.2	203.8	79.0	424.8	266.2	591.1	
1983-84—													
July	4,368.9	4,389.7	2,600.4	2,611.7	6,969.3	7,001.5	407.5	190.1	87.1	429.4	255.3	684.8	16.7
August	4,340.5	4,374.8	2,576.3	2,601.8	6,916.7	6,976.6	409.5	195.7	78.9	429.7	254.4	684.1	
September	4,415.0	4,406.8	2,653.7	2,636.5	7,068.7	7,043.4	410.7	207.0	101.1	435.3	283.4	718.7	
October	4,368.8	4,395.2	2,613.5	2,615.8	6,982.3	7,011.0	385.0	181.5	85.1	401.2	250.4	651.6	19.1
November	4,363.6	4,409.5	2,633.6	2,631.0	6,997.2	7,040.5	366.3	175.0	82.1	386.7	236.8	623.4	
December	r4,459.7	r4,397.9	r2,682.8	2,645.7	7,142.5	7,043.5	r392.2	r207.9	r88.0	r420.6	r267.5	r588.1	
January	4,412.6	4,388.8	2,557.5	2,648.8	6,970.1	7,037.7	424.4	210.8	82.4	453.0	254.5	707.5	

(a) based on focus survey estimates. (c) Results of sample surveys of government employers and private payroll taxpayers conducted

(a) Civilians aged 15 years and over. The labour force is the sum of the employed and the unemployed. (b) Labour force survey estimates. (c) Results of sample surveys of government employers and private payroll taxpayers conducted by the ABS as at the third Friday of the month shown. For further notes relating to these estimates see 6231.0.

**GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES, AUSTRALIA
(Excluding agriculture and private domestic service)
(^{'000})**

Month	Civilian employees										Defence Forces(a)	Total Government	
	Commonwealth		State		Northern Territory		Local		Total				
					Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females			Persons
Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Persons	Persons	Person	
1982—													
May	275.1	128.5	581.8	422.4	7.7	6.6	104.1	28.8	968.7	586.4	1,555.1	73.3	1,628.4
June	274.7	127.4	582.3	427.5	7.6	6.6	104.5	28.9	969.0	590.5	1,559.5	73.2	1,632.7
July	273.9	128.2	581.2	426.7	7.5	6.5	104.2	29.0	966.8	590.4	1,557.2	73.2	1,630.4
August	274.4	128.7	580.9	428.1	7.5	6.3	104.2	28.9	967.0	592.0	1,559.0	73.1	1,632.1
September	275.0	129.6	580.5	428.8	7.5	6.3	104.1	29.2	967.2	594.0	1,561.1	73.0	1,634.1
October	275.5	130.0	580.1	429.4	7.6	6.4	104.2	29.4	967.3	595.2	1,562.5	73.1	1,635.6
November	276.2	130.9	579.8	427.6	7.6	6.3	104.3	29.6	967.9	594.3	1,562.3	73.0	1,635.3
December	277.1	131.5	578.1	422.1	7.5	6.1	104.4	29.3	967.1	589.1	1,556.2	72.7	1,628.9
1983—													
January	276.4	130.8	579.2	410.1	7.6	6.3	104.7	29.2	968.0	576.4	1,544.4	73.1	1,617.5
February	276.7	131.2	582.2	423.9	7.6	6.4	105.7	30.0	972.2	591.5	1,563.7	73.2	1,636.9
March	276.1	131.4	585.2	429.0	7.7	6.3	105.8	30.3	974.8	597.1	1,571.8	73.2	1,645.0
April	276.9	132.5	585.5	431.5	7.7	6.5	107.3	30.5	977.4	601.1	1,578.4	73.1	1,651.5
May	276.7	133.0	586.0	428.7	7.8	6.6	108.0	30.8	978.5	599.1	1,577.5	72.9	1,650.4
June	276.7	132.5	586.6	434.0	7.7	6.5	107.1	31.1	978.1	604.1	1,582.2	72.8	1,655.0

(a) Permanent defence forces in Australia and overseas.

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